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Box Patent Application Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Attorney's Docket No. SONY-T0591

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application entitled: PICTURE PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10

I hereby certify that this New Application and the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date May 19, 2000, in an envelope bearing "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL387308229US addressed to: Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Enclosed are:

- 1. X Transmittal Form (two copies required)
- 2. The papers required for filing date under CFR § 1.53(b):
 - i. 30 Pages of specification (including claims and abstract);
 - ii. 4 Sheets of drawings.
- __ formal
- <u>x</u> informal
- 3. Declaration or oath
 - a. x Unsigned

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- An assignment of the invention to <u>Sony Corporation</u> is attached (including Form PTO-1595).
 - i. __ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
- 5. x Power of Attorney (unsigned)
- An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed, including a PTO-1449 and copies of ______
 references.
- 7. __ Preliminary Amendment.
- 8. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503 -- should be specifically itemized)
- 9. FOREIGN PRIORITY
 - [x] Priority of application no. P11-147248 filed on May 26, 1999 in Japan is claimed under 35 USC 119.

The certified copy of the priority application:

- x is filed herewith; or
- has been filed in prior application no. _ filed on _, or
- will be provided.
- __ English Translation Document (if applicable)





10. FEE CALCULATION

a. __ Amendment changing number of claims or deleting multiple dependencies is enclosed.

CLAIMS AS FILED

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee (\$690)
Total Claims	16 - 20	* 0	x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	6 - 3	* 3	x \$78.00	234.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any			\$260.00	

*If less than zero, enter "0".

Filing Fee Calculation \$690.00

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11. Small Entity Status

a. _ A small entity statement is enclosed.

A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is

still proper and desired.

- c. __ is no longer claimed.
- 12. Other Fees

Total Fees Enclosed \$924.00

13. Payment of Fees

- x Check(s) in the amount of \$ 924.00 enclosed.
- Charge Account No. 12-1420 in the amount of \$__.
- A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.
- 14. All correspondence regarding this application should be forwarded to the undersigned attorney:

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- 15. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees
 - X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 CFR § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Account No. 12-1420. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

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May 19, 2000 (Date)

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